

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1-17 are amended and claims 19 and 20 are added.

Support for the amendments can be found in the specification at, e.g., paragraphs [0163], [0169], [0175] and [0176].

Applicant appreciates the courtesies extended to Applicant's representative during the April 28 personal interview. The substance of the discussions held are incorporated into the amendments and the following remarks, and constitute Applicant's record of the interview.

I. The Claims Satisfy All Formal Requirements

The Office Action objects to claims 10 and 16, due to informalities. The claims are amended to obviate these objections.

II. The Claims Define Patentable Subject Matter

The Office Action rejects claims 1-4, 10-12 and 18 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over U.S. Patent No. 6,809,473, to Ueda et al. claims 5-8 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Ueda, claim 13 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Ueda in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,633,124 to Himeshima et al., claims 9 and 17 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Ueda, in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,534,202 to Sato et al., and claims 14-16 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Ueda in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,811,896 to Aziz et al. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Ueda does not disclose an electron injection layer including at least a first metal compound and a second metal compound, both the first metal compound and the second metal compound including a metal element selected from the group consisting of alkali metals, alkaline earth metals and rare earth metals, as in independent claims 1 and 19, nor forming the electron injection layer including at least a first metal compound and a second metal compound, both the first metal compound and the second metal compound including a metal element selected from the group consisting of alkali metals, alkaline earth metals and

rare earth metals, as in amended independent claim 10, and an electron injection layer formed corresponding to the first luminescent layer and the second luminescent layer in common, the electron injection layer including Li and Sr, as in new claim 20.

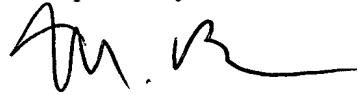
Instead, Ueda discloses an organic electro-luminescence display element including anode, a luminescent layer, an electron injection layer, and a cathode, wherein the material of the electron injection layer is one of organic metal salt containing alkali metal or alkaline earth metal; halogenide of alkali metal or alkaline earth metal or specific organic metal complex containing alkali metal or alkaline earth metal. See, e.g., Ueda at col. 22, line 8 et seq. Ueda clearly discloses that the electron injection layer is organic metal salt, halogenide or specific organic metal complex and not a combination of any two. Himeshima, Sato and Aziz do not provide the deficiencies of Ueda.

III. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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